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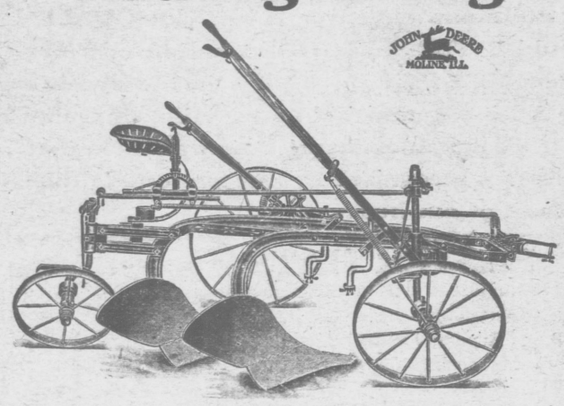

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BRIEF NEWS ITEMS OF THE PENINSULA

James C. Boggs, of Wyoming, has been appointed fish policeman for the season.

River thieves entered the fishing boat of Thomas Morrison at New Castle, and stole two sections of the big shad net.

The 10 commissioners who framed the proposed new charter for Wilmington have been paid $300 each by City Council.

Following a fire of mysterious origin in his home in Wilmington Fred C. Hehl was taken into custody by the police.

In a foot race, Garrett Brown ran one and a half miles in Lewes in five minutes Donald Evans was a close second.

Midland Grange, of Georgetown, has passed a resolution indorsing direct primaries, especially one for the selection of Presidential candidates.

When a horse and cart backed over the dam at Roseville, David Chillis, Newark, who helped to save the animal, became exhausted and also had to be rescued.

Mrs. Anna Konopka, of Philadelphia, is under arrest in Wilmington, for obtaining money for false pretenses, it being alleged she had failed to cure a woman who had paid her to do so.

To secure a water front, Wilmington, has given the Pennsylvania Railroad the Walnut street wharf and the bed of Walnut from Water street in exchange for a tract bounded by Front and Spruce street and fronting the Christiana.

Charged with selling liquor unlawfully Ernest Hill, Harry Turner, Lewis Bell, Mary Cannon and Charles Purnell were jailed for Court by Magistrate Wharton, at Dover Hill and Turner being additionally charged with robbery.

Lower New Castle county farmers have contracted with canners to grow nearly 2500 acres of sugar corn and 2000 acres of tomatoes.

Robert Armstrong, a retired farmer celebrated his eightieth birthday at his home in Newark on Saturday, when many friends from all parts of the country called to offer congratulations.

Mrs. Sophia H. Leathem, aged 29 years of Camden, N. J., died suddenly of heart disease on Saturday afternoon while visiting relatives in Wilmington.

James H. Linderman and Miss Hazel V. Conrad both of Sunbury, Pa., were refused a marriage license in Wilmington because they were under the legal age.

A long petition signed by many New Castle women will be presented to Superintendent Hambleton of the Wilmington Southern Traction Company requesting the lowering of the car steps which the women assert are too high even for men to use.

John McKenna John Bane, John Maloney, Michael Gallagher and Samuel Ferraro, five of the oldest employes of the duPont Powder Company have been placed on the retired list.

Denton young women issued invitations for a leap year dance in Masonic Hall on Saturday.

The new Methodist parsonage at North East, which replaces the one burned last May, will be occupied this week.

The bakery and dwelling in Aberdeen owned by the late C. M. Cummings has been bought by Edward T. Kirby for $2350.

Oscar De Course has been appointed superintendent of the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Company for Harford county.

Professor Symonds of the Maryland Agricultural College will hold a public spraying demonstration on fruit trees at Principio on Saturday.

Rev. E. L. Cobletz who has resigned the pastorate of Ridgely Reformed Church to accept a call to Carlisle, Pa., will preach his farewell sermon on April 15.

The American Express Company will take over the Cumberland business of the Adams Express Company, so far as the Western Maryland Railroad is concerned today, the Adams retaining the business of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Bessie Willey, a young lady living near Greenwood was nearly choked to death by a bone lodging in her throat. A painful operation wrs necessary to save her.

The commission appointed to straighten out the road between Delmar and Laurel has completed its work and the new route has been surveyed by County Engineer Mustard.

Fred C. Hehl whom the Wilmington police had in custody following a mysterious fire in his home, has been dismissed, the authorities being satisfied the fire started accidently.

Charged with threatening murder, Edward Mead, a colored farmhand, was arrested at the instance of his employer, William S. Mason, and held for Court by Magistrate Wharton at Dover.

James F. Casperson, for 42 years in charge of the Pennsylvania Railroad freight office in Wilmington, has been promoted to the superintendency of the company's freight transfer station at Edge Moor.

Minnehaha Red Men, Newark, cleared $215 on a bazaar.

Rev. D. M. Cleland has been elected president of Wilmington Ministerial Union.

The old shirt factory at Townsend will be reopened by W. R Schreyer, of New York.

His head forced through window glass, Robert Weldin's throat was gashed, at Wilmington.

Somebody entered the home of Michael Gessler, at Newark, and stole jewelry valued at $75.

Charles Moore aged 48, an engineer living in Wilmington, was badly burned by escaping steam.

An opossum run over by a trolley car at New Castle, Sunday night, furnished a big feast for a colored party.

Falling from a fence upon a nail protruding from a board, James Wilson, aged 7, New Castle, gashed his side.

Mrs. Martha B. Culbert has brought suit for damages against the Wilmington & Philadelphia Traction Company for the loss of a foot.

Miss Margaret Derrickson, assistant principal at Newark High School, has resigned to go to the Williamson Trade School, Media, Pa.

Struck by an automobile and knocked down, Mary Palmer, aged 6, New Castle, was saved from all injury by the prompt stopping of the car.

Senator Drexler heads a company organized at Millsboro Saturday to aid the Government in digging a canal to reclaim the overflow lands of Indian River hundred and Rehoboth Bay.

Chief Engineer Kienle, of the Wilmington Water Department has reported the water delivered from the filters now free from disease germs.

Objectors Anger DuPont

"If you do not want the road you do not have to take it. I will not cram it down your throats," was the declaration of T. Coleman duPont before a mass meeting of Brandywine Hundred residents at Talleyville under the auspices of West Brandywine Grange. The meeting was called to discuss the special session of the Legislature to act on proposed amendments to the boulevard act.

While 250 attended, when the question was put to a vote, 13 voted in favor of and 9 voted against a special session. Many auditors were women.

DuPont's declaration came during a discussion with farmers opposed to the road because it cuts up their farms.

Arrested For Desertion

Alleging that her husband, Fred Owens Jester, deserted her on or about the seventh day of April eight years ago, and left her with two children in almost destitute circumstances, and since that time has married another woman, Mrs. Lizzie V. Jester, of Laurel, went before Justice of the Peace James E. Tull, of Laurel and swore out a warrant for her husband's arrest whereupon he was taken into custody upon his return to the town of Laurel. He was arraigned, and in default of $500 bail he was committed to the Sussex jail for court. He was brought here by constable Minos B. Hearn.

Works Farm at 83.

George Cathell of Selbyville, is the great-grandfather in a line of four living generations all on the masculine side. They are George Cathell, Selbyville; William E. Cathell, Hazel Del; George E. Cathell, Hazel Del; and William Cathell, aged three years.

Mr. Cathell is 83 years old, is in good health, and in active management of his farm. He has six living children, 23 living grand-children, and four great grandchildren are all the children of his son, William E. Cathel, who is well known in his county.

River Rushes Into Homes

Occupants of houses in South Wilmington had to flee for safety when the Christiana River burst through the banks and the water poured into the buildings waist deep.

Heavy rains and an easterly wind brought in an unusually high tide, and the dyke gave way opposite the Walnut street wharf. The water came over the lowlands with a rush, giving the residents little time to escape. They sought refuge in the homes of neighbors, and boats were secured later and used to save the household furniture.

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FARM NEWS AND VIEWS

Add fertility to the soil.

Clean up the poultry buildings.

Onions require a fine and firm seed bed.

Take good care of the brood sows from now on.

Most men have their favorite varieties of stock.

The brood sows should have some roots if possible.

The boars should be isolated from the rest of the herd.

Chickens need descent housing, proper feed, and some care.

The feed for young guineas may be the same as for young turkeys.

Cold weather has prepared the soil for a bounteous crop next summer.

Oats without hulls is one of the most valuable of all grains for poultry.

Kaffir meal is the best grain to offset the laxative effects of skim milk.

If a farmer desires to improve his flock, let him begin with pure bred males.

In feeding a milk cow a corn ration reduce the ration at first indication of fattening.

Standard utility fowls must be selected for the greatest egg production and quick maturity.

Don't forget that your cattle, hogs, horses, and sheep all need salt; not spasmodically but regularly.

No farmstead is complete without a generous space devoted to a garden for small fruits and vegetables.

During the winter the dairy farmer has more time to figure out his plans for improving his system of farming.

The breeding of high-class hackney stallions to high-class trotting mares has passed beyond the experimental stage.

You may feed all the food your hens can possibly use, but if you are short on grit the result will not be satisfactory.

The Embden perhaps, makes a little better market bird than the Toulouse but the latter lays more eggs, often forty in a season.

Don't burn up any kind of coarse litter that accumulates around feed yards, but save it to mulch different plants in the garden.

In shoeing, the foot should only have so much hoof removed from it at each shoeing as is necessary for the proper fitting of the shoe.

Turkeys more than any other poultry seem to require fresh air. They will roost in trees during a snow storm and not seem to mind it a bit.

A mixture of barley, cornmeal, wheat, bran and roots will put flesh on horses fast. With this, of course, a small quantity of hay should be given.

One hears a great deal about tht cost of feed this winter, but this cost is not so important as is the size of profits realized in feeding this high priced feed.

No branch of husbandry now pursued offers better opportunities for profits for the amount of money invested and the time expended than the production of hogs.

Good quality wheat straw, which is neither moldy nor dusty, will make a fair roughage for horses, and when fed in moderate amounts should not prove injurious in any way.

Pigs and an alfalfa field are good company.

Every breeder holding an annual sale should build a sale pavilion.

Blanket warmly, and brush well to thoroughly clean and stimulate the skin.

Look out for drafts under and through the floors. They are about the worst kind.

Horses that have heavy coats of hair should be clipped now just before the new hair starts.

It is seldom necessary to grind corn for work horses unless they are old and have poor teeth.

Quick, intelligent attention will often save a lamb or a pair of them, and often the ewe as well.

Too much corn has caused the loss of many a fine litter of pigs, and often the sow as well.

In a case of twins one is often weaker than the other, and would die if not assisted to nourishment.

A tablespoonful of oil-meal a day for each ewe, given regularly is a sensible addition to the ration.

Breed your hogs as much higher than kerosene barrel as you like, but do not lose sight of quality.

Hogs can stand cold, dry weather without injury.

USEFUL THINGS TO KNOW

When frying anything in deep fat have the flour sifter full of flour handy. If the fat catches fire, sprinkle thickly with flour and save disaster.

Marble washstands that have become discolored may be scoured first with wet salt, and if this does not remove the stains, then with salt and lemon juice.

The nicest duster for dusting out a house is a duck or goose wing, which on account of its feathery softness will not scratch the furniture as some dusters do.

For lemon cake filling, beat one egg, add a cupful of sugar and the juice and rind of one lemon. Cook in enameled pan until rather thick. When cool, spread.

For fried squash take the small green and yellow variety, peel and cut in half-inch slices. Dip in eggs and flour or crumbs and fry in plenty of fat until brown.

A paste of olive oil and salt smeared on spots on furniture and allowed to remain a few minutes and then rubbed off with a soft cloth, will often remove the spots.

Grease on the kitchen floor can be softened by pouring kerosene over it and letting it remain for fifteen or twenty minutes. Later scrub with hot soda water or borax and water.

The coarse parts of lettuce and celery which are unfit for salad should be placed in the stock kettle or chopped up and put into the dinner soup. Use the celery leaves as well.

To serve with hot chocolate, delicious sandwiches may be made of brown bread with a filling of chopped dates and pecan nuts, blended with a few drops of honey and lemon juice.

If potatoes are greased thoroughly before being put into the oven to bake, they will have a rich, satiny look and the skins will peel off as thin as tissue when they come to the table.

Good black lawn should not change color in washing, if it is washed quickly in suds made of white soap and warm water, and then passed through clear lukewarm rinsing water.

When a collar of a linen or batiste blouse becomes slightly soiled, it may be cleaned with a little naphtha or benzine in the same way as silk or satin. With this process the collar will not need pressing.

To bake fish without a watery flavor do not place it on the bottom of the pan, but in an old plate, well greased. Set this in the pan and pour enough hot water in the pan to reach nearly to the edge of the plate.

When making chocolate frosting try stirring the grated chocolate in the milk and sugar syrup after taking it from the fire or just before putting it on the cake. The rich flavor of chocolate is lost when it is allowed to boil.

A generous supply of eggs should be allowed for a custard that is to be turned from the mold. Six eggs to a quart of milk is about the usual number. A cup custard on the the other hand needs but four eggs to a quart of milk.

To remove iron rust wet the spots with salt and lemon juice, hold the material over the steam of a teakettle and then put out in the sun.

Never boil a silk handkerchief or rub soap on it. Wash in suds made of fine white soap, squeeze out, half dry in the sun, and iron while dry damp.

Mold can be kept from the top of preserves by putting a few drops of glycerin around the edge of the jar before screwing down the cover cap.

Individual tarts are much served nowadays with fruit or pumpkin filling, and with ice cream or whipped cream on top; with them serve coffee.

For disinfecting the sick room, take half a cupful of common salt, and two or three ounces of sulphuric acid. Upon the salt pour one-half ounce of the acid and stir; every 15 minutes repeat this until all the acid is used. Tainted meats, fish or other stuffs can be purified by being confined in a tight box with salt and sulphuric acid. All effluvia of an animal nature can be removed from a room by pulverized coffee upon a fire shovel.

There is nothing more satisfying and warming on a damp chilly night than a good bowl of hot soup. Cream soups of different kinds may be had every night in the week, and the variety not run out.

You may have tomato bisque, thickening the cream of tomato for a change, or potato with a little onion and milk makes a most appetizing soup.

Leather-covered furniture can be cleaned with sweet milk applied with a piece of soft flannel. Rub gently until dry.

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DEMOCRACY TAFT'S ALLY

In one remarkable respect the present campaign is without a precedent in our political history viz.: the persistent interference of Democratic newspapers in the Republican presidential nomination contest. No misrepresentation, no lies out of the whole cloth, nor downright abuse of Roosevelt, is too gross for their partisan use. One might think that Roosevelt had been named as the Republican candidate and that the final fight was on! There could be no more lively tribute to the fear his candidacy inspires, than this unheard of intrusion of the Democratic press into matters that in no way whatever concern them.

In the presidential primaries just held in New York the Administration's gang of thugs so brutally trampled into the mire the rights of the Roosevelt voters by denying them ballots, that even such staunch organs of Democracy as the *Sun*, *Herald*, *Press* and *World* used the following language to describe the outrage:

"Taft beats Roosevelt 3 to 1 in the Primary Election here which all parties call Farce."—*N. Y. American.*

"Want special session called and new primary date set. Third of voters deprived of their privilege."—*N. Y. Herald.*

"Roosevelt Whipped, but mix-up of ballots may cause new election. Taft over long distance phone congratulates Koenig. Dix may be appealed to to declare result of election void because thousands of voters were disfranchised."—*N Y. World.*

"With no ballots, primaries fail. Kings, Queens and Richmond largely disfranchised yesterday. Appeal to the Legislature and the courts discussed. New primary, maybe"—*N. Y. Sun.*

"New York City Primaries a farce, voters unable to get ballots."—*N. Y. Press.*

A marvelous bouquet of testimonies by the enemies of Roosevelt to the wrong done him. And yet in the face of it all the *Every Evening* with partisan unfairness comments thus:

"As was expected, Mr. Roosevelt and his followers are in revolt against the overwhelming verdict of the Republican voters of New York State in favor of the renomination of President Taft."

"Overwhelming verdict"—yes, of the stand-pat thugs, whose infamous tactics so nearly repeat those of the golden age of Democratic thuggery here in Delaware, (where in New Castle County alone one thousand voters, largely white, were defrauded of their franchise rights) that the *Every Evening* very naturally expresses its approval. But neither Democracy's advocacy, nor Taft's adoption of these gang methods will avail to inflict his candidacy a second time on the Republican party.

BOULEVARD IN THE COURT

Governor Pennewill has written our judges for an opinion on the constitutionality of the Boulevard law, stating that since this had been questioned, it would be idle to call the Legislature in extra session to amend the law if unconstitutioual. This is a commendable move upon the part of the governor.

We fear those of our readers who favor this project are doomed to disappointment, as we believe the Court will hold the law unconstitutional for the reason, that as to the 170 feet in excess of the 30 to be used for the highway, any attempt to secure the land by the exercise of the right of eminent domain, would be taking private property for private uses, which cannot be done.

For while it may be claimed that the sweeping provision in Sec. 142 as to the use of this 170 foot strip, viz, "which may also be used for any other purpose," would be limited to the general class to which the uses already specified belonged—following a well known rule of legal interpretation—still Sec. 167 specifically confers upon the Boulevard corporation the right to use it "for any other purpose that may be desired, if not unlawful," and Sec. 168 contains similar language.

This may be held to be a separate and definite extension of the powers given in Sec 142, despite their limitation therein by the above rule of interpretation. The Court may fairly conclude that the Legislature meant—as no doubt the promoters designed—to confer upon this Boulevard Corporation as to this 170 foot strip, wide and unknown powers "not unlawful, etc." If so, then these possible future uses of the 170 foot strip are not those for which the law allows private property to be taken under condemnation proceedings.

But even if this were not so, it would seem that a further difficulty exists, viz., that it is impossible for the condemnation proceedings under the law, to measure the present damages, because of the uncertainty as to those future uses to which this strip may be subjected.

This uncertainty would appear to be well founded, from the fact that the strip is exempted from all taxes for 50 years or until used.

NO PARTIES IN CITY RULE

The enforced union of the two parties in the late Milwaukee municipal election in order to beat the socialists, may draw after it this useful consequence, quite apart from the question whether or not the defeat of the socialists be an advantage, viz; it may furnish and excellent example of the wisdom of the non-partisan choice of officials for city government—the only test being, the best men for the offices!

The people who pay the boodle fiddler will some day realize that the same sound rules of business they follow in their private affairs, should also be followed in public affairs. Certainly, all sensible people admit that blind partisanship in municipal elections, is a very costly folly, and more are coming to understand that this is likewise true of state governments.

[Communicated]

BAD PAVEMENTS

ED. TRANSCRIPT:—Your paper in writing about the new Town Commissioners fixing up the crossings so well and I think as you say they ought to be praised. But why don't they keep it up and do more things that will benefit the people? Why don't they make some of the big property owners as is better able to fix their property, to put decent pavements in front of their houses and stores? Take the North Broad street or Main street on the north side that are in such awful shape everybody is complaining about it.

All of us citizens as live on Anderson, Crawford, Lake and Lockwood street when we go up North Broad have to wade through water pools to get to our home every time a little rain falls and it don't have to be more'n a little neither. We put in nice level concrete walks, some of us hardworking folks owning our homes, and then have to go through puddles on Broad street to get to our own dry pavements. It ain't right, and some of my friends say to me "Tom, you know and I know, if it was some poor mechanic what kept such a broken sunk walk in front of his place, mighty quick the Commissioners would let him hear about it, but the rich is privileged to let their property go with any kind of a pavement and nothin' is said about it!"

MR. TRANSCRIPT that's some of the talk I hear agoin' on round me and from a good many people. But I don't want myself to think that of our Commissioners who talk all right and say month after month that they are goin' to have these bad pavements on Main and Broad fixed up. But it does begin to look funny that such things are allowed to go on year after year and nothin' done.

Mr. Editor TRANSCRIPT can't you do something? And won't you do something and oblige all of us? J.

CORN GROWING CONTEST

The Agricultural Extension Department of Delaware College will conduct a corn growing contest on a new plan this year. Farmers of the State are invited to send to the Experiment Station 10 ears of their corn. These samples are to be grown side by side with some of the improved varieties on the Station Farm. The same varieties will also be grown in Kent and Sussex counties. All details of planting and harvesting will be attended to by the Station. The only requirements on the part of the farmer are that he give the name of the variety (if named) how long he has grown it, and prepay the express charges to the Station.

The object of this contest is to find the best yielding strains of corn in the state and to compare them with the standard improved varieties. The following premiums will be offered for the best yielding samples from each county: First premium $10.00, 2d premium $7.00, 3d premium $5.00, 4th premium $3.00.

Samples of the best yielding corn will be exhibited at the Delaware State Corn Show. The ten ears should be sent express prepaid to Prof. A. E. Grantham, Newark, Delaware before May 1st, 1912.

Child Shows Rare Nerve

With one hand nearly cut off as the result of an accident, Mary Corkhill, a a seven-year.old child, displayed remarkable bravery and fortitude when she walked more than a mile and then calmly held her hand while a physician amputated four of the fingers. The little girl and her younger brother were playing in the woods when the boy picked up an ax and cut the girl so that two fingers were servered, two mangled and the hand nearly severed at the wrist. The child bound a string aronnd the arm to keep it from bleeding, walked to her home with the brother and then held her hand for amputation, stopping to forgive the brother with a kiss as the surgeon's knife did its work. It was only after the dressing of the wounded member was completed that the childs nerue gave way and she cried.

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Think twice and see our local representative; it will pay you before you give you order.
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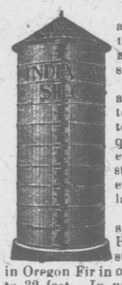
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Middletown, Del.

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STEAMER CLIO
Captain H. V. Woodall
WILL LEAVE
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AS PER TIME TABLE:

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Th'rsd'y, 4,	11.00am	Friday, 5, 7 00pm
Monday, 8,	1.00pm	Tuesday 9, 11.00am
Thursday, 11,	3.30pm	Friday, 12, 1.00pm
Monday, 15,	6.30pm	Tuesday, 16, 8.30pm
Thursday, 18,	11.00am	Friday, 19, 6.00pm
Monday, 22,	12.30pm	Tuesday, 23, 11.00am
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Steamer will leave Port Penn 1½ hours later than Odessa time.
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Attention given to the Careful Handling and Prompt Delivery of all consignments.
For information in regard to Freights, apply to
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SHERIFF'S SALE—BY VIRTUE OF a writ of Levari Facias to me directed will be exposed to Public Sale at the Middletown Hotel, in Middletown, St. Georges Hundred, New Castle County, Delaware,
ON TUESDAY, APRIL 9th, 1912
At 9 30 o'clock, A. M.,
The following described Real E-tate, viz:
All that certain tract or parcel of land with the buildings thereon erected, situate, lying and being in Appoquinimink Hundred, New Castle County and State of Delaware, adjoining lands now or late of Dennis Ahern, Richard C. Hayes and wife, C. B. Barlow and others, and binding on the Delaware Railroad and on the Public Road leading from Lore's Mills to Vandyke's School House. Containing one hundred and seventy-seven acres of land more or less.
Seized and taken in execution as the property of Arnotha Carlett, (now Arnotha Merritt) surviving Mortgager, and to be sold by
JAMES LOGUE, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Wilmington, Del., March 20th, 1912.

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The best work for less money and done while you wait. I have moved on Broad Street next door to *The New Era*, in Dr. Vaughan's old office.
Men's Soles and Heels 75c
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Crex Carpet Matting and Rugs
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9x12 seamless, beautiful design, $8.50 and $10.50. These same rugs sell everywhere at $10.00 & $12.50. Higher priced rugs subject to order.
WALL PAPER
We carry a large stock of Wall Paper in medium and cheap paper. The prices are marked down very low, as we run no risk in carrying stock we cannot sell. All the new styles in Wall Paper and Room Decorations, we have ready to show by sample books and order at once.
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House cleaning time! Nothing can make the rooms more beautiful than pictures. We have all sizes, suitable for any room; marked down in price to please the customers and make them go quick. Special in pearl paintings, size 19x31 in., $1.98, regular price $2.50; size 23x27, regular price $2.00, our price $1.39. Pictures framed to order.
China, Glassware, Cooking Utensils
100 piece dinner and tea set, $7.98 and $8.98.
56 piece tea set, $4.49 and $4.98.
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18 piece set 98c and $1.20.
Cups and saucers, plates, meat and vegetable dishes, all sizes. You can get just what you want, as many pieces as you need.
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FINE PROGRAM FOR
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APRIL 8th, "THE DANITES" In 2 Reels
From McKee Rankin's greatest dramatic success—Produced under Mr. Rankins direction in the Yosemite Valley—Early Western in Theme—rapid in action, wonderful natural settings. It's another big masterpiece by "Selig" the maker extraordinary.
First Exhibition promptly at 7.30. Second Exhibition at 9.00 P. M.
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a better line of building materials, sewer pipe and drain pipe, cement, lime and plaster than we carry. When you wish to lay proper sewerage or drainage, we will supply you with the best sewer and drain pipes to be found on the Pensiula.
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Our Busy Week
BEFORE EASTER

THE returns are all in from our three biggest days of Spring Opening Sales, Thursday, Friday, Saturday last, and we now know to a mathematical certainty, by actual count of the sales, that those were indeed unprecedented days for us! And this superb result was no accident, no casual event, but the logical consequence flowing from the belief upon the part of our customers, and the general buying public, that with Fogel & Burstan their constant study and endeavor is BETTER QUALITIES, MORE and BETTER SELECTIONS, and always for the LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES! That is the theory and practice of our business, and THAT explains this big event of those three matchless days! And we well know that to have this fact recognized by our patrons, is the biggest single asset of our business!

EASTER HATS
Easter Hats of distinguished elegance; hats of aristocratic charm; hats of demure loveliness; hats dashingly smart—all of true Parisian *chic*. Hats large and medium, of fine Milan and hemp braids, three and four-cornered effects; and shapes of broad, sweeping contour with graceful twist of the brim. Then the trimmings of fancy ostrich, wings, ribbons and flowers—scores of different styles from our workrooms, unrivalled in beauty and taste at figures from **$2.50** to **$25.00.** New creations are always issuing from our workrooms.

Easter Suits
One hardly now needs to say that the tailored suit, well designed and made, confers upon a well-dressed lady the highest rank of distinction. All our suits have this air of elegance, the cheaper not less than the costlier ones. Whether the price be **$10** or **$25,** our styles always express the latest ideas without conflicting with the demands of good taste.
We are prepared to furnish you with a fashionable Easter Suit—the newest fabrics and styles, and yet always at reasonable prices. Before you buy come and see our fine display. It will profit you.

Spring Shoes
The latest styles in Oxfords, Shoes and Pumps for Men, Women, Misses and Children. The names of the famus makes we have long carried, require no praise from us; their wear is their best commendation. Our stocks of these are the largest and best selected of any in town. No doubt you will want a pair of the Colonial Tie or Pump, made in Satin, Velvet, Gunmetal, Patent Colt, White Buckskin and Tan Russets. Also High Shoes in button or lace in all the various leathers---from **$1.50** to **$4.00.**
Men's Shoes, Oxfords and Patent Coltskin, Gunmetal and Russian Calf snappy styles in button, lace and blucher. Prices from **$2.00** to **$4.00.**

Children's Shoes
Of these we have a full selection in high and low shoes of all the leathers with various shaped toes to give the highest comfort and at reasonable prices.

Easter Wants
This is the last day before Easter and we announce that we are prepared to supply the ladies with every little article they may want in the way of Neckwear, Ribbons, Hosiery, Pretty White Petticoats, Silk or Messaline; Kid and Silk Gloves of all kinds, Corsets, Pretty Shirtwaists of all the newest style, Belts, Separate Skirts, or anything in Jewelry or Back and Side Combs, Handkerchiefs and Umbrellas or a Suitcase for your Easter trip.

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LADY WANTED!
To introduce our very complete Spring line of beautiful wool suitings, wash fabrics, fancy waistings, silks, etc., hdkfs, laces and petticoats. All up to date N. Y. City Patterns. Finest line on the market. Dealing direct with the mills you will find our prices low. Profits $10.00 to $30.00 weekly. Samples and full instructions packed in a neat sample case shipped express prepaid. No money required. Exclusive territory. Write for particulars. Be first to apply.
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Farm for Sale
"Evergreen Farm", on the road from Middletown to Odessa, containing forty acres, comfortable dwelling and ample outbuildings, all in good order. The soil is a loam with yellow clay subsoil, finely adapted to fruits and intensive farming. This farm is in close reach of both rail and water by a macadam road. Apply to
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Town Property, Farm Buildings, and Stock
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Insure now against damage from wind storms
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I am taking orders for LeGore's High Grade Lime, Car. guarnteed to have the highest average analysis of any lime in use, and each carload sold is billed from the Kilns of LeGore to the purchaser, which gives him a guarantee that he gets what he buys, and sold at the lowest standard price, either for cash or on time to suit the purchaser. Give me a call and get my prices and terms before you place your orders, or I will call and see you at your request. Can furnish the LeGore's quick-lime, either in stone, or ground in bags, or hydrated in bags or loose in cars, in car load lots to suit purchaser. Can also furnish you Tidewater Hydrated Lime in bags, in carload lots or on rivers and creeks in Cecil County Maryland, at short notice.
LeGore Analysis over 97
Tidewater Analysis over 96
PHOSPHATE
I am agent for the F. S. Royster High-grade Phosphates, which some of our farmers have pronounced the best they ever used.
J. A. CLEAVER, AGENT
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Mails Close as Follows.

Going North—7.25 a. m., 10.05 a.m., 4.05 p.m. p. m. and 8 p. m.
Going South—8.00 a.m., 4.15 p. m., and 9 p.m
For Odessa—7.50 a. m., 8.30 a m., 11.30 a. m., .50 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton and Earlville 9.20 a. m. and 4.45 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., APRIL 6, 1912

LOCAL NEWS

Latest designs in Wall Paper at BANNINGS.

Wagons and Dearborns for sale. J. C. GREEN.

The best steak, roasts, lamb and veal, at W. C. Jones'.

FRESH and SALT FISH at my store at all times. W. C. JONES.

Will have a fine assortment of Easter Flowers for sale. MRS. J. H. EMERSON.

Wagons and Dearborns for sale. J. C. GREEN.

Use "Crystaloid Dairy Feed". Analysis guaranteed at Evans' Echange Store.

Get "Kingan's Reliable Easter Hams" at BANNINGS'.

Highest Cash Prices paid for all kinds of Hydes. HELDMYER'S STORE.

Oyster and ice cream business for sale and store and house for rent. Apply to W. B. KATES.

Go to Bannings for Easter Candies and Baskets.

WANT.—Good carpenters at once Good wages. Apply to Johns & Wilson, Warwick, Md

FOR SALE—240 egg Cypress Incubator in excellent Condition. Apply at this office.

HIDES WANTED.—The highest cash prices paid for horse and cow hides. W. C. JONES.

HAY FOR SALE for the cash. C. M COCHRAN, Middletown, Del.

WANTED.—A white working housekeeper, good wages, references; 2 in family. Box 123, Middletown, Del.

FLOWERS FOR SALE—My Easter Flowers and plants are the finest ever growed, call and inspect them. E. J. STEELE.

HAY WANTED—Will pay $29 per. ton for No. one mixed hay delivered at Middletown on days of bailing. W. D. EVANS

BE WISE.—Remember if you have an Easter Lily in bloom in your home on Easter day, you will have money all the year. E. J. STEELE.

HIGH GRADE LEHIGH COAL, al sizes ALWAYS in stock and under cover. Guaranteed free from dirt. Oak Wood to fit the stove. 'Phone 5 and 48. JESSE L. SHEPHERD.

Thirty velvet shaves from one wafer blade! that's the unheard of record of my new Auto Strop Safety Razor. See ad and write up on the first page of this issue.

HORSES CLIPPED—I wish to inform the public that I am prepared to clip horses in an up-to-date manner on short notice. J. Z CROSSLAND, Middletown Hotel Stables,

After October first, the library hours will be:—Tuesdays, 3 30 to 5; Fridays, 7 to 8 30; Saturdays 3 to 5. The library will be open on Tuesday evenings for school children exclusively.

FRESH MILK—I have made arrangements with Mr. John Heldmyer Jr., to handle my milk, where old customers or new ones can get same at all hours of the day. J. C. ALSTON

It will pay you to get our prices on Recleaned Seed Oats and Seed Potatoes before placing your orders. Our potatoes shipped direct from Maine. JESSE L. SHEPHERD.

EGGS FOR SETTING—Single comb Black Minoricas, the best of all layers. Eggs $1.00 per 15; $3.00 per 50. E. A. GOLDSBOROUGH Middletown, Del.

After being closed for the winter months Armstrong's Chapel Sunday School will re-open (to-morrow) Sunday. All members and friends are requested to be present.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remains unclaimed in the post-office for the week ending March 29th: Rebtha Wilson, C. L. Cochran, Arom Johns, Sr.

Dr. Johnson has removed his dental office from the residence of Miss Bessie Anderson to his new office two doors above. Pending the completion of the operating room the reception room is being used for that purpose.

While harnessing a pair of mules on the Algire Farm, near Warwick Wednesday, John Murray met with a painful accident. One of the mules made a lunge forward, and caught two of Mr. Murray's fingers in a chain, and one of them was badly lacerated.

Secure our prices on High Grade Land Lime and Fertilizers before you order these goods. In storage in our warehouses Bear and Middletown, by the bag or ton. Satisfaction in every case guaranteed. Phones 5-48. JESSE L. SHEPHERD.

I am still soliciting trade for the best dyeing and cleaning establishment to be found in the East Scores of satisfied customers from last year can testify to the quality of the work. No gasoline smearing, but the finest steam scouring on all goods. Men's Suits, $2.50, Trousers, 75 cents, Ladies' Skirts, $1.50 up; Down Quilts, $1.50 and $1.75. ROBT. B. JONES.

Death of Mrs. Catharine R. Polk

Mrs. Catharine R Polk, widow of the late William R. Polk, died at the home of her son, Robert Polk, in Memphis, Tenn., at one o'clock Friday morning. Mrs. Polk was a sister of Mrs. Joseph Biggs, of this town, and also a sister of Mr. S. T. Rothwell, of Camden, N. J. She was the daughter of the late Samuel H. and Ann Rothwell, and spent her girlhood days in this vicinity, where pleasant memories of her will long linger with her numerous friends. Not only those who knew Mrs. Polk in former days, but those who were fortunate enough to meet her in the frequent visits she made with relatives here, will ever cherish her memory.

The deceased lady will be brought to Wilmington, arriving there at noon on Monday next, and the body will be interred in Riverview Cemetery. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral without further notice.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The St. Georges Hundred Sunday School Association held a meeting in Forest Presbyterian Church on Thursday, with three sessions. The program, as previously arranged, was executed without an exception. The day was exceedingly enjoyable and quite a number were in attendance. The following is the instructive program given:

MORNING SESSION

10.00—Devotional service, led by Rev. Francis H. Moore, pastor of Forest Church. 10.20—"We Welcome You," Mr. J. F. Deakyne, Hundred President. "Why we are here," Mr. D. B. Maloney, President for New Castle County. 10.30—Pages of History told by our Superintendents. 11.00—"Leaks in the Sunday School and how to stop them," Miss Maggie Wilson. 11.15—"Why the graded lesson," Mrs. William McMullin. 11.30—Workers' Conference, led by E. Ross Farra, New Castle County Secretary. 11 45—Appointments of committee, announcements, offering, adjournment.

12.00—Basket Lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

1.15—Meeting of Committees. 1.30—Prayer and Praise service, led by Rev. Edward A. McLaury, pastor of Drawyers Presbyterian Church, Odessa. 1.45—"The Sunday School and Missions," Mrs. Clarence Robb. 2.00—"How to improve our Schools," Miss Edna C. Barker, of Milford. 2.15—Teacher Training Conference, led by Rev. Vaughan S. Collins, pastor of Bethesda M. E. Church, Middletown. 2.30—"Why the Home Department," Miss Maggie S. Wilson. 2 45—"Winning and Holding the young men in the Sunday School," Rev. F. H. Moore. 3.00—Vocal solo, Miss Bessie Gunkle, of Warwick, Md. 3.10—Report of Committees and election of officers. 3.15—Discussion. "The Greatest need of the Sunday School of today."

3 30—Adjournment.

The following officers and superintendents were elected: President, J. Fletcher Deakyne, Middletown; Vice President, William McMullin, Port Penn Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Mary B. Nowland, Middletown.

Executive Committee—Mrs. Adella Green, Middletown; Miss Eliza C. Green, Middletown; Mrs. Jesse L. Shepherd, Middletown; Mr. George L. Townsend, Odessa; Mrs. Walter V. Woods, Odessa; Mr. John Barr Vandegrift, Port Penn; Mrs. Elizabeth Bendler, Port Penn; Mrs. B. Vance Armstrong, Armstrong's Corner.

Superintendents of Department work:—Elementary, Mrs. Lelia M. McMullin; Teacher Training, Rev. J. M. Sparklin, Odessa; Home Department, Mr. John Barr Vandegrift, Port Penn; Adult Class, Rev. Francis H. Moore, Middletown; Missionary, Mrs. George Derrickson, Middletown; Temperance, Mr. Alfred G. Cox, Middletown.

In the evening there was a song and praise service, special music by the choir and the Presbyterian Sunday School, assisted by Miss Bessie Gunkle. The Rev. William D. Parry, of the M. E. Church, Smyrna, gave an address on "Present Efficiency and Future Achievements."

Walter O. Hoffecker and Lewis M. Price, of Smyrna, assisted with the singing in the evening. Messrs. Hoffecker and Price sang two duets and after the close of the meeting a number of the audience remained while the gentlemen favored them with several other selections.

Easter Services at Odessa

The services in St. Paul's M. E. Church, Odessa, on Easter Sunday will be most interesting and inspiring, Rev. J. H. Sparklin will deliver an Easter sermon in the morning; the choir will render appropriate music, in the evening the Sunday School will have charge. The first part will consist of exercises and music by the smaller children, to be followed by a Cantata, "The Beautiful City." This cantata is beautiful in conception and arrangement, the recitations and music are very impressive. A most cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these services, as well as the regular services of the church.

Dr. S. C. Schmucker's Lecture

Don't fail to hear Samuel Christian Schmucker M. A. Ph., D. in the New Century Club on the evening of April 11th at 8 o'clock. The date has been changed from April 12th to 11th. A rare treat is in store for all who will avail themselves of this opportunity to hear such an able lecturer as Dr. Schmucker. The subject of his discourse is "Some Interesting Superstitions." This lecture is the last of the Winter's course given by the club women. Admission is 35 cents. Everybody come and hear a good talk.

Old Ladies' Home Barrel

Our good Middletown ladies no sooner get one benevolent stunt on and off the carpet, than they find another. The bake realized more than they first announced $50 00, less a penny or two. Now they are raising some good things with which to replenish the larders of the Old Ladies' Home at Dover, one of Delaware's fine philanthropic institutions. They mean to pack a barrel at the drug store Mr. J. G. Bragdon, where all donations of preserves, jellies, groceries and the like may be left by sympathetic friends.

Moses' Burning Bush

Looking just over the way from THE TRANSCRIPT office the reporter's eye is regaled with a pretty floral scene in the window of Truitt's drug store—a fine pink azalea bush in flaming bloom! A notable feature in the plant is that two shades of pink are to be seen in marked contrast on the same bush. The cunning workmanship of our skilful florist Mr. Steele, who grafted in the second color; but one generally finds "graft" in the case of a *steal*!

The Ladies' Bake

The full returns of the ladies' Bake to help the admirable project of music in the public school, shews even more than we reported last week viz. $48 76 and but for a rainy Saturday that half century mark would have been passed. Some of the money will be laid out to buy music-books, blackboards and other necessary apparata Bravo ladies!

Easter at the Presbyterian Church

Easter Sunday will be observed by the Forest Presbyterian Church at both the morning and evening services. The pastor will preach sermons appropriate to the day, and an augmented choir will render special Easter music. All cordially invited to these services.

OUR FRIENDS AND VISITORS

Personal Items About People You See and Know

Mr. John Lynch was in town on Tuesday.

Mrs. W. E. Lee spent Tuesday in Philadelphia.

Miss Pearl Guesford spent Sunday in Townsend.

Miss Lena Weber was in Wilmington on Tuesday.

Mrs. J. H. Emerson spent Monday in Wilmington.

Miss Mary Richards spent Saturday in Wilmington.

Miss Jean Metten is a visitor with relatives in Philadelphia.

Miss Eugenia Beasten spent last Sunday with friends in Wilmington.

Mr. Abram Hayden, of Wilmington, was in town on Wednesday.

Mrs. Earl Baum, of Delaware City, was a visitor in town on Wednesday.

Register in Chancery Joseph G. Jolls was in Washington on Wednesday.

Mrs. D. P. Keith was a visitor in Centreville, Md., several days this week.

Miss Marian Vinyard spent Sunday with Mrs. C. R. Manlove, near Odessa.

Miss Clara Carroll, of Philadelphia, was the guest of her mother on Sunday.

Miss Lulu Ratledge, of Townsend, was the guest of Miss Lottie Jolls on Sunday.

Miss Jessie Shepherd spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in Wilmington.

Miss Louise Griffith, of Wilmington, spent last Sunday with Miss Emma Kelley.

Mr. Irving Brockson, of Newark, spent Sunday with his father, Mr. S. J. Brockson.

Mrs. Albert Price was the guest of relatives in Philadelphia several days this week.

Miss Catharine Robinson, of Georgetown, is being entertained by Miss Eliza Green.

Miss Dora Price spent part of this week in town, after being away for several months.

Miss Edith Frances is the guest of her mother, Mrs. James Cleaver, in Smyrna, this week.

Mr. Amos. T. Bradley for many years in business here, has been in town for several days.

Mr. Thomas McWhorter, of Philadelphia, is spending some time with his parents here.

Mrs. John B. Cooke, of Philadelphia, has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Willard B. Biggs.

George D. Kelley, Jr., of Newark, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George D. Kelley this week.

Miss Alice Cochran, of Philadelphia, spent last Sunday in town, the guest of Miss Elma Deakyne.

Mr. John Metten, of Philadelphia, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Metten on Sunday.

Mrs. George Cutting, of Boston, Mass., is making a lengthy visit with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Biggs and family.

Misses Laura Connellee and Helen McDowell was the guests of friends in Wilmington several days this week.

Little Miss Elizabeth and Margaret Brady are the guests of their aunt, Mrs. E. Embree at West Chester, Pa.

Miss Charlotte Peverley, of St. Mary's Hall, Burlington, N. J., is spending the Easter Holidays with her parents.

Mrs. Rose Shannon left for her new home in Sweedsboro, N. J., on Monday. Miss Sadie O'Neil accompanied her.

Miss Pearl Gardner returned to her home in Centreville, Md., after spending several weeks with Miss Elsie Byron.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Hudson, returned to their home in Smyrna, after spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Howell.

Mr. B. T. Biggs, of Princeton, N. J., is spending the Easter Holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Biggs on Cass street.

Mr. G. Norman Gill and Miss Sue Joret, of Philadelphia, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Gill, in "Middle Neck" over Sunday.

Mrs. Charles Paridee, Mrs. Willis Bissell and Miss Lela Savin, of Wilmington, were entertained by relatives and friends here on Sunday.

Miss Mary Lewis, of Sea Bright, N. J., is being entertained by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Edward Lewis, during the Easter Holidays.

Victor H. Jones, in the employ of the P. B. & W., railroad company, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Jones, during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cuthbert Peverley and little daughter, Helen, will be the guests of his parents Mr. and Mrs. George V. Peverley during the Easter Holidays.

Messrs. Ralph and Herbert Morgan and Miss Minnicker, of Elkton, and Miss Arline White, of Connecticut, were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Blome.

Mr. B. F. Gallagher has resigned his position with Messrs. J. F. McWhorter & Son and left on Wednesday for Harrisburg, Pa., where he has accepted a position with the John Deere Plow Co.

THE TRANSCRIPT is glad to report that Mr. James R. Hoffecker who has been for a month confined to his bed, is improving. The balmy breath of Spring invites, and some of his accustomed strolls in the warm sunlight may hasten his entire recovery.

Rev. A. E. Clay, of Wilmington, was also the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Biggs and family on Wednesday last when he preached to his old parishoners in St. Anne's Church. Archdeacon Hall, of Wilmington, during his stay on Wednesday of this week while addressing the same congregation, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson B. Foard.

Bethesda Church Notes

The Methodist Brotherhood devotional meeting Sunday morning next will be led by C. T. Deakyne at 9.30 A. M. At 10.30 the Easter services. Sermon by the pastor, Rev. Vaughan S. Collins, followed by a special free-will offering for the spread of Christ's kingdom through the earth. Preceding the offering, reception of members into church membership.

At 7.30 P. M., the pastor will continue the series of sermons on Joseph, the special subject being, "Remembering His Aged Father." All are invited.

EASTER SERVICES

Holy Communion at 8 A. M. Morning Prayer and Sermon, and Holy Communion at 10 30. Sunday School at 12 M. Evening Prayer and Sermon at 7.30.

The following musical programme will be rendered by the choir:

Processional Hymn, "Welcome, happy morning!" ..... A. S. Sullivan.
Anthem, Christ our Passover A. F. Rudd.
Te Deum laudamus, (in G.) J. L. Hopkins.
Benedictus ..... G. Heatncote.
Kyrie Eleison ..... A. J. Eyre,
Gloria Tibi ..... Anon.
Hymn before Sermon, "The Day of Resurrection" ..... B. Tours.
Sanctus ..... J. Camidge.
Communion Hymn, "At the Lamb's high feast," ..... Salzburg.
Gloria in Excelsis ..... Old Chant.
Recessional Hymn, "Jesus Christ is ris'n today ..... (from Lyra Davidica)

The Easter Anthem, "He is not here, He is risen, Alleluia!" by Erviu W. Read, by the Choir.

Evening:—Hymn, "Angels roll the rock away!" ..... Arimathea.
Magnificat (in F.) ..... E. Bunnett.
Nunc Dimittis ..... E. Bunnett.
Anthem, same as morning, by the Choir.
Hymn, "He is risen, Tell it out with joyful voice." ..... Paran.
Recessional Hymn, "The strife is o'er, the battle done." ..... from Palestrina

The Rector will preach appropriate sermons on the Resurrection.

Service at St. Mary's Chapel, Townsend, Del., at 4 o'clock.

Those having the Missionary Mite Boxes are requested to return them on Easter Day. The offerings on Easter Day are for improvements on the Rectory and interior of the Church. There will be no services during Easter week.

Notice is hereby given of a Parish meeting to be held in the Parish House on Easter Monday, April 8th at 3.30 P. M., for the purpose of electing a vestry to serve for the ensuing year.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

The following committees were appointed at the Fourth Quarterly Conference of Bethesda M. E. Church for the year 1912 13:

Foreign Missions, A. G. Cox, M. B. Burris, George F. Wilson, M. Banning, E. S. Jones.

Mome Missions, Mrs. Jesse L. Shepherd, Mrs. M. B. Burris, Miss Mollie Wilson.

Sunday School, E. S Jones, Mrs. Lillie Scott Lee, Mrs. Vaughan S. Collins.

Temperance, P. L. McWhorter, W. H. Voshell, M. B. Burris, J. H. Emerson, C. T. Deakyne.

Tracts, Mrs. Rosette Evans, Miss Ida Cleaver, Miss Fannie Shepherd.

Hospitals, Miss Fannie Shepherd.

Church Records, A. G. Cox, M. B. Burris, J. H. Middleton.

Auditing Committee, E. S. Jones, J. J. Northrup, M. Banning.

Freedman's Aid, E. G. Allee, D. W. Stevens, C. F. Beaston.

Parsonage and Furniture, The Ladies' Mite Society.

Church Music, J. H. Emerson, S. E. Massey, Mrs. Jesse L. Shepherd, Miss Anna R. Lawson, Arthur R. Swain.

Estimating Committee, Board of Stewards.

Conference Claimants, M. B. Burris, A. G. Cox, M. D. Wilson.

Board of Stewards, M. B. Burris, A. G. Cox, J. H. Emerson, William Brockson, George F. Wilson, M. D. Wilson, E. G. Allee, W. W. Allen, M. Banning, P. L. McWhorter, Isaac Stafford, D. W. Stevens, Edward S. Jones, William B. Kates, C. T. Deakyne, J. J. Northrup, W. T. Pearce, Sr., Mrs. Jesse L. Shepherd.

Recording Steward, M. B. Burris.
District Steward, A. G. Cox.
Triers of Appeals, M. B. Burris.
Trustees, A. G Cox, M. B. Burris, William Brockson, James Jatrell, John P. Wilson.

That Easter Hat Crush

While gratefully appreciating the compliment our patron paid us, upon the occasion of our late Spring Opening, in thronging our store in a way never before equalled in our experience (as many as 75 ladies at one time inspecting our spring hats!) we wish to express our regrets that consequently so many of our valued customers were compelled to go away unserved, and to return later. We did our best to accommodate them all. We thank you for your patronage, and promise to do our best to make each year better than the last in quality, prices and service.

To supply the unprecedented demand for our Easter trade, our Mr. Fogel was forced to make two trips of several days to Philadelphia and New York, to replenish our sold out stock with new, lovely dresses, waists and millinery, etc., in order to meet our big trade which is proving a continuous one. So Fogel & Burstan are still daily turning out from their work rooms, new hat shapes of many varieties and styles, all trimmed, no two alike, in the latest fashions. Read our ad. in this issue for further particulars and the short talk setting out our principles.

Tomatoes and Corn

Lower New Castle county farmers have contracted with canners to grow nearly 2,500 acres of sugar corn and 2,000 acres of tomatoes. The farmers this year will be paid more money than ever before in the history of the canning business. Contracts have been signed to grow corn at $9.60 a ton and tomatoes at $10 a ton. A few years ago but $6 or $7 a ton were paid in the same localities. The cannery at Blackbird will take the product of 425 acres. In the neighborhood of Townsend 550 acres will be planted in tomatoes and 600 acres in corn. The canneries at Odessa will utilize the product of 1,200 acres of corn. In addition to paying the high prices the canners will furnish the baskets, Middletown canneries will use 500 acres of corn and 500 acres of tomatoes.

Real Estate Sales

Mr. E. H. Beck sold the lot on West Green street on which Mr. Elias Shallcross has had his garage, and which belonged to Dr. John C. Stites, to Mr. Shallcross—consideration $1200.00. Mr. Beck has also sold to Mr. Charles H. Hastings of Selbyville, Md., the 40 acre lot adjoining Townsend, owned by Mr. Edward Hart, for $100 an acre.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY S. B. FOARD.

Wheat—No. 2	$1.00	Corn—	
No. 1		Yellow, shelled	76
Timothy Seed	8.50	" cob	72
Clover Seed	15.00	Oats	70

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEE

Eggs, per doz	19@21
Country Butter, per lb	30@37
Creamery Butter, per lb	42
Lard, per lb	10@14
Live Chickens, per lb	12@16
Potatoes	85@1.00

NEW CENTURY CLUB

The prepared program for the meeting of the New Century Club was dispensed with on Tuesday afternoon and the business meeting lengthened into the afternoon session. The time was spent in planning for the coming Federation which meets here in May. The following chairmen and committees were appointed:

Hospitality, Miss Eliza Cochran Green Chairman, Mrs. Elizabeth Boyer Chamberlaine, Miss Mary Hutchin; Badges and Credentials, Miss Bessie Somers Anderson; Decoration, Miss Laura Eugenia Willis; Music, Mrs. Sylvia Wright Burris; Reception, Mrs. Rebecca Pierce Cann; Baggage, Miss Hester Jones; On Securing Opera House, Mrs. Elizabeth Caulk Shepherd. The chairman select their own Committees.

The president of the club, Mrs. Angie W. Derrickson, will give the address of welcome and the vice president, Mrs. Sylvia W. Burris, will give the greeting, the retiring president, Mrs. Derrickson, and the incoming president, to be elected in May, will be the delegates to the Federation from the local club. The meetings of the Federation will be held in the Opera House and the reception will be held at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth C. Shepherd, on South Broad street.

Before the reception, Miss Gay Zenola McLaren, an impersinator, will give an entertainment in the Opera House, after which the visitors will proceed to Mrs. Shepherd's home. Mrs. Niles of Townsend, a gifted singer, will sing during the meetings. The plans for the Federation are nearly completed and the Middletown Club is looking forward to the meeting in May with much pleasure.

ROLLS OF HONOR

MIDDLETOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

High School

The following named pupils deserve special commendation for the month of March:

11th Grade—Margaret Price, Maude Taylor, Bertha Manlove, Helen McDowell.

10th Grade—Elizabeth Gibbs.

9th Grade—George Shaw, Alexander Berkman, Sarah Kates, Alice Boulden, Theodore Whitlock, Charles Meyers, William Price.

Grammar School

8th Grade—Clarence Weber, Elmer Kirk, Jessie Shepherd, Jessie Kohl, Mildred Redgrave, Elizabeth Alexander, Avery Donovan, Madeline Manlove.

7th Grade—John Kumpel, Ruth Gillespie, Frances Beaston, Frank McWhorter, Fred Baker, Joseph Miller, Bessie Denny, Harry Segelken.

6th Grade—Shelly Myers, Earl Cleaver, Foster Johnson, Frank Walker, Odel Gallagher, Mildred Vaughan, Naomi Keith, Clifford Pyle.

5th Grade—Millie Rosenberg, Celia Decktor, Mildred Freeman, Marion Pinder, Robert George.

Primary School

4th Grade, A. Division—William Myers, Allee Hall, Florence Pennewill, Mildred Shaw, Claude Fouracre, Harry Maul, John Hurd, Virginia Williams, Hattie Cochran, Helen McWhorter, Benjamin Williams.

4th Grade, B. Division—June McWhorter, Isaac Stafford, Elva Freeman, Clara Brady, Viola Morris, Bertha Baker, Gladys Long, Daniel Bingnear, Florence Unruh.

3d Grade—Fannie Rosenberg, William Clough, Edward Atwell, Mary West, Virginia Pearce, Catharine Scott, Gwerdolyn Gary, Rogers Fouracre.

2d Grade — June Johnson, Clayton Draper, Clinton Jolls, Carlton Hurd, Frances Armstrong, Harriet Black, Evelyn Price, Abram Decktor, Edwin Custer.

1st Grade—Mary Atwell, Caroline Fouracre, Walter Beaston, Robert Hurd, Burton Williams, Charles Howell.

MATTHEW CORNER SCHOOL

The following pupils deserve special commendation for the month of March: Seventh grade, Ethel Daniels; fourth grade, Hermon Daniels; third grade Grant Ellingworth.

BROWN COTTAGE SCHOOL

The following pupils are on the roll of honor for March: Hilda Boulden, Grace Carpeuter, James Murray, Francis Murray, Frank Carpenter and Bryan Boulden.

MRS. EMERSON'S FLOWERS

Mrs. J. H. Emerson following her annual custom, makes a fine floral display for Easter tide. Not only in her window and store but in her yard, all sorts of early blooms, beauteous forerunners of the vernal splendors soon to be spread all around us by Nature's lavish hand. Doubly welcome these early flower folk with their smiling faces tinted by fairy hands with every hue stolen from the sunset sky and the rainbow's arch.

THE TRANSCRIPT reporter had a view of it all and wishing to show off his horticultural wisdom, ventured to remark that the distinguishing marks by which one could tell a daffodil from a jonquil, were that there was more "daffy" in the first and more "Johnny" in the last! Well, Mrs. Emerson has a choice selection of hyacinths, jonquils, pinks, azaleas, daffodils, Japanese spiraeas and a "hull lot more sich" nice things in pots and out.

But Mrs. Emerson has another sort of flowers than those that "bloom in the spring time." We heard our foreman raving over some lovely "ladies' flower neckties," and so we went and had a look at 'em—the ingenious, and pretty handiwork of some lady's deft fingers. And they were handsome, cunning flower imitations in silk, pink, blue, or green, both in tiny cluster buds or in larger half opening roses, either pretty enough for any lady's throat. So look at 'em.

STEELE THE FLORIST

Mr. E. J. Steele the florist has been very successful with his hot-house this season. His sweet peas had a climbing growth almost as luxuriant as Jack's bean stalk, with a beauty and perfume to match. Then before one on every side lies a riot of color, fiery azaleas, partihued tulips, golden jonquils, nodding daffodils, purple hyacinths, primroses rosy or snowy, and others of the lovely sisterhood of flowers—"the sweetest things God ever made and forgot to put a soul into," as Beecher, once said—Our town has a good right to be proud of its florist and his achievements of beauty and utility in flowers and fruits. Then the fragrant pinks, pale as the moonlight or blushing like a young bride—handsome both! Easter flower lovers can't miss it, patronizing Mr. Steele.

CECILTON

J. D. Beltz was a Wilmington visitor on Friday.

Mrs. Arthur Davis visited relatives in Philadelphia last Thursday.

Miss Elizabeth Hale, of Philadelphia, is the guest of Mrs. Arthur Davis.

Dr. E. N. Crawford and son Arnold, spent one day last week in Elkton.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Moffitt and son visited Mrs. Mary Anderson on Sunday.

James Humphry is spending sometime with relatives in Los Angeles, California.

Mr. George Watts, of Townsend, spent Monday with his brother Mr. James Watts.

Miss Grace Cruikshank who has been visiting relatives in Virgina has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs Allie Peirce and children were entertained on Friday by Mrs. Emma Pierce.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Jones, of near Massey, visited Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Jones on Tuesday.

Mr. Robert Anderson, of Connecticut, is spending the Easter holidays with his mother Mrs. Mary Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Peirce Stradley and childrens, of St. Augustine, spent Sunday with Mrs. James Stradley.

Mrs. Stepen Hayes, of Philadelphia, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J W. Taylor.

Mrs. George Beaston and Mrs. Harry D. Budd were guest of Mrs. Bryon Bouchelt, in Chesapeake City on Friday.

Miss Arreiattie Cruikshank has returned home after spending sometime with her sister Mrs. R. Bond in Port Desposit.

Mrs. J. E. Hoover, Mrs. J. R. Smith and Miss G. E. Hoover visited Mrs L. B. Manlove on Bohemia Manor, Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Smith and children Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Smith and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smith, of near Earleville.

CHESAPEAKE CITY

Miss Mary H. Cooper was a Philadelphia visitor last Saturday.

Mr. Nelson Cooling, of Philadelphia, visited friends here Saturday and Sunday last.

Mrs. Nellie B. Reed leaves to-day to spend the Easter holidays with Philadelphia friends.

Mrs. Ida Bouchelle is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. I. Griffith Edison, at Kirkwood, Del.

Miss Florence Woolley, of Elkton, was a recent visitor at the house of Mr. Sidney Woolley and wife.

Miss Ida Bouchelle is spending this week end with her friend, Miss Ethel Ellison, of Bohemia Manor.

Miss Genevenie Byers spent this and part of last week with her sister, Mrs. A. Thomas, at Newark, Del.

Mrs. Zachery Cooling, of Wilmington, formerly of this town, was greeted by her many friends here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Woodall, of Galena, Md., were dinner guests of Mrs. Nellie B. Reed on Sunday past.

The monthly Gun Club shoot will be held at "Troy Park" today (Saturday,) a silver spoon will be the trophy.

Mrs. R. B. Merritt and Judge Merritt, of Warwick, spent Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Bishop.

Miss Nan Harris Wright of Ursuline Academy, Wilmington, arrived at her home here Thursday, to spend the Easter holidays with her mother.

TOWNSEND

Mr. Kemp Donovan of Newark, was home on Sunday.

Mr. Charles Larrimore of Seaford, was an over Sunday visitor in town.

Mr. Archie Finly of Philadelphia spent Sunday with relatives in town.

Mrs. W. Harmon Reynolds has as her guests this week Miss Lillian Wright, of Brenford.

Mrs. Daisy Collins, of Wilmington spent Sunday with her mother Mrs. B. G. Lockerman.

Mrs. W. A. Scott, Mrs. L. L. Maloney and Miss Metta McSorley were in Philadelphia on Saturday.

Mrs. J. C. Hart visited her sister Mrs. and Mrs. George Crossan of Wilmington a few days of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wright of Smyrna, were entertained at the home of Thomas Wells on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hutchison, Jr., of near Smyrna spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hutchison.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Collins and daughter Ruth of Smyrna, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Richardson on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hart, have had as their guests this week, Mrs. James M. Heimbach and two sons of Kane, Pa., and Mrs. George Crossan.

WARWICK

Mrs. J. Wilson Merritt spent Friday in Philadelphia.

Judge R. B. Merritt was an Elkton visitor on Wednesday.

Mrs. S. E. Gunkel entertained friends from Smyrna over Sunday.

Misses Belle Hill and Mame Merritt were Wilmington visitors on Wednesday.

Mrs. Edith Cochran, of Middletown, spent Sunday with Miss Blanche Wright.

Mrs. Josephine Wilson spent last week with Mrs. R. D. Aiken on "Bohemia Manor."

Mrs. Bayard Jordan, of Hockessin, spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. H. M. Eaton.

Mr. and Mrs. George Merritt and Mrs. R. B. Merritt were entertained by Mrs. John Wilson on Thursday.

Mrs. U. P. Ginn, of Mt. Pleasant, was the guest of her mother, Mrs. V. L. Vinyard several days last week.

The Entertainment and Festival which was held last week was quite a success. A very nice sum was realized.

Preaching Sunday morning at 10.30. Special music will be rendered by the choir. All are welcome to the service.

Mr. A. R. Merritt spent Wednesday and Thursday in Baltimore, purchasing machinary for the cannery of R. B. Merritt & Son.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dulaney, of Baltimore, and Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson, of Cecilton, spent Tuesday with Mr. R. B. Merritt and family.

ODESSA

Miss Blanche Wiest visited Wilmington Wednesday.

Mr. Frank Massey, of Chester, visited friends in town this week.

Mrs. John Heldmeyer is the guest of Philadelphia friends this week.

Mrs. Edmund Stevens is spending some time with Philadelphia relatives.

Special services were continued during last week in the Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. George L. Townsend is spending this week with friends in New York City.

Mrs. J. W. Watkins and daughter, Miss Helen, are spending this week in Atlantic City.

Mr. Joseph Rhodes had the misfortune of cutting his foot very severely last week.

Miss May Enos and niece, Miss Frances Davis were Wilmington visitors part of last week.

Mr. Joseph Coll and family, who have been spending some time in Philadelphia have returned.

Mr. Harry Rose, of Delaware City, spent Sunday last with his sister Miss Mollie Rose.

Miss Laura Heavelow, of near Townsend, spent part of this week with her cousin, Miss Ella Rhodes.

Bev. W. O. Hurst, wife and son William, of Milton, were the guests of Miss Francis William part of last week.

A social and reception to the postor, Rev. Sparklin and family was given by the Methodist Brotherhood on Thursday evening last.

The remains of Howard G. Thornton, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Thornton, of this town, were interred in St. Pauls M. E. Cemetery on Monday afternoon of this week.

Easter Sunday will be observed at Drawyers' Presbyterian Church by the celebration of the Lord's Supper, in the morning at half past ten o'clock, and by an Easter concert at night given by the choir and Sunday School. An interesting program is arranged.

The Christian Endeavor Society will hold their consecration meeting on the first Sunday night of the month when all the active members are expected to be present and take part. Miss Helen Watkins is the leader for next Sunday night. Meeting at 7 o'clock.

PORT PENN

Quite a few shoppers have visited Wilmington this past week.

Casper Denny spent a couple of days last week in Philadelphia.

The fisherman are dipping their nets now and find the catch pretty good.

Miss Eva Vandegrift was an over Sunday visitor with friends at Moore, Pa.

Frank Jester and daughter, Miss Mary, of Delaware City, called on James Denny and wife on Sunday.

Misses Anna and Nora Gibason, of Wilmington, are visiting their mother, Mrs. William Gibason.

Mrs. O. G. Eaton is spending a month with her parents, Richard Wilson and wife, at Newark, Del.

Elwood Denny and wife entertained over Sunday his brother, Benjamin Denny, of Middletown.

A. Bendler and wife spent Sunday with their children, Mrs. J. W. Spicer and Mrs. Samuel Armstrong, in Delaware City.

The Christian Endeavor topic for Sunday evening, "Make the Sabbath a Blessing." Joseph Denny was appointed leader.

James T. Carpenter has secured a position as motorman on the Wilmington trolley line, and left here on Thursday last for that place.

Miss Bella Carpenter attended the teachers' local institute in Wilmington on Saturday, and on her return stopped at Porters Station and spent Sunday with friends there.

Mrs. A. Cordery, who has been spending the winter in Wilmington, returned to her home at Augustine Beach on Saturday, to get ready for the summer season at the Beach.

Frank K. Torbert a deck hand on the U. S. Steamer, Neptune and Miss Elizabeth Shelton were quietly married in Wilmington on Monday, by Rev. W. K. Adams. They were attended by Rev. W. L. Jump, pastor of the M. E. Church here. Mr. and Mrs. Torbert will reside in Port Penn, having rented the house vacated by S. H. Eaton and family. We extend our congratulations to the happy coupie.

Friday, March 29th, being Arbor Day, a suitable entertainment was rendered by the pupils of our school. The program was both interesting and instructive, and consisted of songs, recitations and selections in reading. After the entertainment, the remainder of the afternoon was spent in cleaning the grounds and school. Both scholars and teachers participated in the latter exersise, and much credit is due them for their efficient labor.

BLACKBIRD

Mr. William Fortner spent last Thursday in Philadelphia.

Miss L. Ethel Naylor is visiting her sister, Mrs. Levy Reeves, in Camden

The Chalice of Courage

Being the Story of Certain Persons Who Drank of it and Conquered

A Romance of Colorado

By Cyrus Townsend Brady

Author of "The Ring and the Man," "The Island of Regeneration," "The Better Man," "Hearts and the Highway," "As the Sparks Fly Upward," etc.

Illustrations by Ellsworth Young

CHAPTER VIII.

A Telegram and a Caller.

"You say," asked Maitland, as they surveyed the canon, "that she went down the stream?"

"She said she was goin' down. I showed her how to cut across the mountains an' avoid the big bend. I've got no reason to suspicion that she didn't go w'ere she said."

"Nevertheless," said Maitland, "it is barely possible that she may have changed her mind and gone up the canon."

"Yep, the feemale mind does often change unexpected like," returned the other, "but w'ether she went up or down, the only place for us to look, I take it, is down, for if she's alive, if she got out of the canon and is above us, nacherly she'd follow it down yere an' we'd a seed her by this time. If she didn't git out of the canon, why, all that's left of her is bound to be down stream."

Maitland nodded. He understood.

"We'd better go down, then," continued Kirkby, whose reasoning was flawless except that he made no allowance for the human-divine interposition that had been Enid Maitland's salvation, "an' if we don't find no trace of her down stream, we kin come back here an' go up."

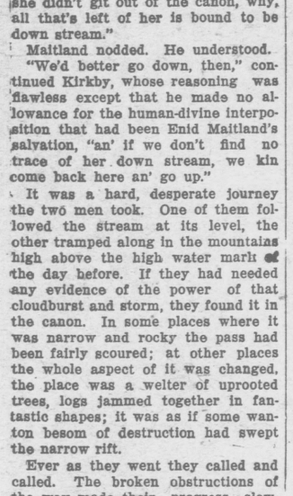
It was a hard, desperate journey the two men took. One of them followed the stream at its level, the other tramped along in the mountains high above the high water mark of the day before. If they had needed any evidence of the power of that cloudburst and storm, they found it in the canon. In some places where it was narrow and rocky the pass had been fairly scoured; at other places the whole aspect of it was changed, the place was a welter of uprooted trees, logs jammed together in fantastic shapes; it was as if some wanton besom of destruction had swept the narrow rift.

Ever as they went they called and called. The broken obstructions of the way made their progress slow. What they would have passed over ordinarily in half a day, they had not traversed by nightfull and they had seen nothing. They camped that night far down the canon and in the morning, with hearts growing heavier every hour, they resumed their search.

About noon of the second day they came to an immense log jam where the stream now broadened and made a sudden turn before it plunged over a fall of perhaps two hundred feet into the lake. It was the end of their quest. If they did not find her there, they would never do so. With still hearts and bated breath they climbed out over the log jam and scrutinized it. A brownish gray patch concealed beneath the great pines caught their eyes. They made their way to it.

"It's a b'ar, a big Grizzly," exclaimed Kirkby.

The huge brute was battered out of all semblance of life, but that it was



It Was a Woman's Sweater.

a Grizzly Bear was clearly evident. Further on the two men caught sight suddenly of a dash of blue. Kirkby stepped over to it, lifted it in his hand and silently extended it to Maitland. It was a sweater, a woman's sweater. They recognized it at once. The old man shook his head. Maitland groaned aloud.

"See yere," said Kirkby, pointing to the ragged and torn garment where evidences of discoloration still remained, "looks like there'd bin blood on it."

"Great God!" cried Maitland, "not that bear; I'd rather anything than that."

"W'atever it is, she's gone," said the old man with solemn finality.

"Her body may be in those logs there——"

"Or in the lake," answered Kirkby, gloomily, "but w'ere ever she is we can't git to her now."

"We must come back with dynamite to break up this jam and——"

"Yep," nodded the old man, "we'll do all that, of course, but now, after we search this jam o' logs I guess there's nothin' to do but go back, an' the quicker we git back to the settlement, the quicker we can git back here. I think we can strike across the mountains an' save a day an' a half; there's no need of us goin' back up the canon now, I take it."

"No," answered the other, "the quicker the better, as you say, and we can head off George and the others that way."

They searched the pile eagerly, prying under it, peering into it, upsetting it, so far as they could with their naked hands, but with little result, for they found nothing else. They had to camp another day, and next morning they hurried straight over the mountains, reaching the settlement almost as soon as the others. Maitland with furious energy at once organized a relief party. They hurried back to the logs, tore the jam to pieces, searched it carefully and found nothing. To drag the lake was impossible. It was hundreds of feet deep and while they worked it froze. The weather had changed some days before, heavy snows had already fallen; they had to get out of the mountains without further delay or else be frozen up to die. Then and not till then did Maitland give up hope. He had refrained from wiring to Philadelphia, but when he reached a telegraph line some ten days after the cloudburst, he sent a long message east, breaking to his brother the awful tidings.

And in all that they did he and Kirkby, two of the shrewdest and most experienced of men, showed with singular exactitude how easy it is for the wisest and most capable of men to make mistakes, to leave the plain trail, to fail to deduce the truth from the facts presented. Yet it is difficult to point to a fault in their reasoning, or to find anything left undone in the search!

Enid had started down the canon; near the end of it they had discovered one of her garments which they could not conceive any reason for her taking off. It was near the battered body of one of the biggest Grizzlies that either man had ever seen, it had evidence of blood stains upon it; still, they had found no body, but they were as profoundly sure that the mangled remains of the poor girl lay within the depths of that mountain lake as if they had actually seen her there. The logic was all flawless.

It so happened that on that November morning, when the telegram was approaching him, Mr. Stephen Maitland had a caller. He came at an unusually early hour. Mr. Stephen Maitland, who was no longer an early riser, had indeed just finished his breakfast when the card of Mr. James Armstrong of Colorado was handed to him.

"This, I suppose," he thought testily, "is one of the results of Enid's wanderings into that God-forsaken land. Did you ask the man his business, James?" he said aloud to the footman.

"Yes, sir. He said he wanted to see you on important business, and when I made bold to ask him what business, he said it was none of mine, and for me to take the message to you, sir."

"Impudent," growled Mr. Maitland.

"Yes, sir, but he is the kind of a gentleman you don't talk back to, sir."

"Well, you go back and tell him that you have given me his card, and I should like to know what he wishes to see me about, that I am very busy this morning and unless it is a matter of importance—you understand?"

"Yes, sir."

"I suppose now I shall have the whole west unloaded upon me; every vagabond friend of Robert's and people who meet Enid," he thought, but his reveries were shortly interrupted by the return of the man.

"If you please, sir," began James hesitatingly, as he re-entered the room, "he says his business is about the young lady, sir."

"Confound his impudence!" exclaimed Mr. Maitland, more and more annoyed at what he was pleased to characterize mentally as western assurance. "Where is he?"

"In the hall, sir."

"Show him into the library and say I shall be down in a moment."

"Very good, sir."

It was a decidedly wrathful individual who confronted Stephen Maitland a few moments afterward in the library, for Armstrong was not accustomed to such cavalier treatment, and had Maitland been other than Enid's father he would have given more outward expression at his indignation over the discourtesy in his reception.

"Mr. James Armstrong, I believe," began Mr. Maitland, looking at the card in his hand.

"Yes, sir."

"Er—from Colorado?"

"And proud of it."

"Ah, I dare say. I believe you wished to see me about—"

"Your daughter, sir."

"And in what way are you concerned about her, sir?"

"I wish to make her my wife."

"Great God!" exclaimed the older man in a voice equally divided between horror and astonishment. "How dare you, sir? You amaze me beyond measure with your infernal impudence."

"Excuse me, Mr. Maitland," interposed Armstrong quickly and with great spirit and determination, "but where I come from we don't allow anybody to talk to us in this way. You are Enid's father and a much older man than I, but I can't permit you to——"

"Sir," said astounded Maitland, drawing himself up at this bold flouting, "you may be a very worthy young man, I have no doubt of it, but it is out of the question. My daughter—"

Again a less excited hearer might have noticed the emphasis in the pronoun—

"Why, she is half-way engaged to me now," interrupted the younger man with a certain contemptuous amusement in his voice. "Look here, Mr. Maitland, I've knocked around this world a good deal. I know what's what. I know all about you eastern people and I don't fancy you any more than you fancy us. Miss Enid is quite unspoiled yet and that is why I want her. I'm well able to take care of her, too; I don't know what you've got or how you got it, but I can come near laying down dollar for dollar with you, and mine's all clean money—mines, cattle, lumber—and it's all good money. I made it myself. I left her two weeks ago with her promise that she would think very seriously of my suit. After I came back to Denver—I was called east—I made up my mind that I'd come here when I'd finished my business and have it out with you. Now you can treat me like a dog if you want to, but if you expect to keep peace in the family you'd better not, for I tell you plainly, whether you give your consent or not, I mean to win her. All I want is her consent, and I've pretty nearly got that."

Mr. Stephen Maitland was black with anger at this clear, unequivocal, determined statement of the case from Armstrong's point of view.

"I would rather see her dead," he exclaimed with angry stubbornness, "than married to a man like you. How dare you force yourself into my house and insult me in this way? Were I not an old man I would show you, I would give you a taste of your own manner."

The old man's white mustache fair-

"What Is It?" He Asked Eagerly.

ly quivered with what he believed to be righteous indignation. He stepped over to the other and looked hard at him, his eyes blazing, his ruddy cheeks redder than ever. The two men confronted each other unflinchingly for a moment, then Mr. Maitland touched a bell button in the wall by his side. Instantly the footman made his appearance.

"James," said the old man, his voice shaking and his knees trembling with passion, which he did not quite succeed in controlling, despite a desperate effort. "Show this—er—gentleman the door. Good morning, sir; our first and last interview is over."

He bowed with ceremonious politeness as he spoke, becoming more and more composed as he felt himself mastering the situation. And Armstrong, to do him justice, knew a gentleman when he saw him, and secretly admired the older man and began to feel a touch of shame at his own rude way of putting things.

"Beg pardon, sir," said the footman, breaking the awkward silence, "but here is a telegram that has just come, sir."

There was nothing for Armstrong to do or say. Indeed, having expressed himself so unrestrainedly to his rapidly-increasing regret, as the old man took the telegram he turned away in considerable discomfiture. James bowing before him at the door opening into the hall and following him as he slowly passed out. Mr. Stephen Maitland mechanically and with great deliberation and with no premonition of evil tidings, tore open the yellow envelope and glanced at the dispatch. Neither the visitor nor the footman had got out of sight or hearing when they heard the old man groan and fall back helplessly into a chair. Both men turned and ran back to the door, for there was that in the exclamation which gave rise to instant apprehension. Stephen Maitland now, as white as death, sat collapsed in the chair gasping for breath, his hand on his heart; the telegram lay open on the floor. Armstrong recognized the seriousness of the situation, and in three steps was by the other's side.

"What is it?" he asked eagerly, his hatred and resentment vanishing at the sight of the old man's ghastly, stricken countenance.

"Enid!" gasped her father. "I said I would rather see her—dead, but—it is not true—I—

James Armstrong was a man of prompt decision, without a moment's hesitation he picked up the telegram; it was full of explicity, thus it read:

"We were encamped last week in the mountains. Enid went down the canon for a day's fishing alone. A sudden cloudburst filled the canon, washed away the camp. Enid undoubtedly got caught in the torrent and was drowned. We have found some of her clothing, but not her body. Have searched every foot of the canon. Think body has got into the lake, now frozen, snow falling, mountains impassable; will search for her in the spring when the winter breaks. I am following this telegram in person by the first train. Would rather have died a thousand deaths than had this happen. God help us.

"ROBERT MAITLAND."

Armstrong read it, stared at it a moment, frowning heavily, passed it over to the footman and turned to the stricken father.

"Old man, I loved her," he said, simply. "I love her still; I believe that she loves me. They haven't found her body, clothes mean nothing. I'll find her, I'll search the mountains until I do. Don't give way; something tells me that she's alive, and I'll find her."

"If you do," said the broken old man, crushed by the swift and awful response to his thoughtless exclamation, "and she loves you, you shall have her for your wife."

"It doesn't need that to make me find her," answered Armstrong grimly, "she is a woman, lost in the mountains in the winter, alone. They shouldn't have given up the search. I'll find her as there is a God above me whether she's for me or not."

A good deal of a man, this James Armstrong of Colorado, in spite of many things in his past of which he thought so little that he lacked the grace to be ashamed of them. Stephen Maitland looked at him with a certain respect and a growing hope, as he stood there in the library, stern, resolute, strong.

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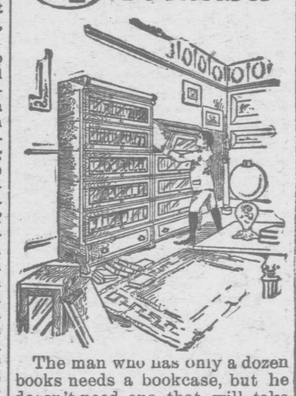

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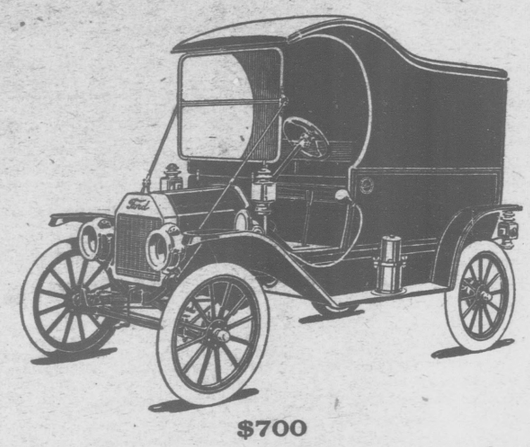

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